SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASBESTOS LITIGATION

LOUIS & ANN PAIGE,

Docket No: L-829-14 (AS)

vs.

Plaintiff(s),

Civil Action

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER IV

AO SMITH WATER PRODUCTS, et al

Defendant(s).

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on <u>May 12, 2015</u>:

| FIRM | ATTORNEY | CLIENT |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Cohen Placitella & Roth | Keven Friedman | Plaintiff(s) |
| Bucca & Campisano | Benjamin Bucca Jr. | IMO |
| Carroll McNulty | Joshua Wirtshafer | Copes Vulcan; Clark Reliance; Spirax Sarco |
| Caruso Smith | Lisa Massimi | Union Carbide; CertainTeed |
| Clemente Mueller | Jessie Christine Basner | Powell |
| Gibbons PC | Ethan Stein | Honeywell |
| Hoagland Longo | Daniel Kuszmerski | York; Goulds Pumps; Frick |
| Kelley Jasons | Jason Scheets | FMC; Square D |
| Kent McBride | Ravi Shah | Alfa Laval |
| Langsam Stevens | Lauren Shrebel | Zy-Tech |
| Margolis Edelstein | J. Edmind Bryak | John Crane; Goodrich |
| Marshall Dennehey | Doughlas Suplee | Riley Stoker; Warren Pumps |
| Mayfield Turner | Zoe Elfenbein | Carrier Corp. |
| McElroy Deutsch | Gabriel Ferstendig | AO Smith Water Products; Flowserve US Inc., as |
| | | successor to Rockwell; Burnham |
| McGivney Kluger | Thomas McNulty | Falk; Hopeman Brothers; Weil-McLain; Fairbanks; |
| | Caitlin Christie | Nash; Zurn; Taco; Atwood & Morrill |
| Pascarella DiVita | Madelyn Iulo | Trane US Inc. |
| Reilly Janiczek | Edward Henry | Cleaver Brooks |
| Sedgwick | Christopher Keale | Borg Warner |
| Segal McCambridge | Ted Eder | BW/IP, Inc. |
| Vasios Kelly Strollo | Thomas J. Kelly, Jr. | Bird, Inc.; Armstrong International Inc. |
| Wilbraham Lawler | Elizabeth deBerardinis | Greene Tweed |

IT IS on this <u>18th</u> day of <u>May, 2015</u> effective from the conference date;

ORDERED as follows:

Counsel receiving this Order through computerized electronic medium (E-Mail) shall be deemed by the court to have received a copy of the filed original court document. Any document served pursuant to this Order shall be deemed to be served by mail pursuant to *R*.1:5-2.

DISCOVERY

August 31, 2015 Fact discovery, including depositions, shall be completed by this date. Plaintiff's

counsel shall contact the Special Master within one week of this deadline if all fact

discovery is not completed.

September 30, 2015 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

October 9, 2015 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this

date.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE

October 23, 2015 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this

date.

November 6, 2015 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

December 4, 2015 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

MEDICAL DEFENSE

January 15, 2016 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical expert reports, if

any, by this date. In addition, defendants shall notify plaintiff's counsel (as well as all counsel of record) of a joinder in an expert medical defense by this date.

February 15, 2016 Plaintiff shall serve a rebuttal expert medical report, if any, by this date.

LIABILITY EXPERT REPORTS

January 15, 2016 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports or a

certified expert statement by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability

expert testimony.

February 15, 2016 Defendants shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports, if

any, by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

EXPERT DEPOSITIONS

February 29, 2016 Expert depositions shall be completed by this date. To the extent that plaintiff and

defendant generic experts have been deposed before, the parties seeking that deposition in this case must file an application before the Special Master and demonstrate the necessity for that deposition. To the extent possible, documents requested in a deposition notice directed to an expert shall be produced three days

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in advance of the expert deposition. The expert shall not be required to produce documents that are readily accessible in the public domain.

PRE-TRIAL AND TRIAL

February 23, 2016 @ 10:00am Settlement conference. All defense counsel shall appear with authority

to negotiate settlement and have a representative authorized to negotiate settlement available by phone. Any request to be excused from the settlement conference shall be made to the Special Master no later than

4:00pm of the day prior to the conference.

March 14, 2016 Trial Date. (The June 8, 2015 trial is adjourned to this date.)

Plaintiff's counsel shall serve a copy of this Order upon any additional counsel immediately upon receipt.

/s/ Ana C. Víscomí ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

Brody Deposition Services

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